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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket: 14531.68

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:		)
	Robert M. Fries, et al.	)
Serial No.:	Not Yet Assigned	)
Filed:	Herewith	)
For:	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DETECTING TAMPERING OF A COMPUTER SYSTEM BY CALCULATING A BOOT SIGNATURE	) ) )

## PETITION PURSUANT TO RULES 1.47(a) and 1.17(i)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.47(a) and 1.17(i), Applicant Robert M. Fries hereby petitions to make application on behalf of himself and on behalf of Michael K. Fleming, the remaining named co-inventor in the application. As fully set forth in the declaration of the undersigned attorney of record, after diligent effort, Michael K. Fleming, the nonsigning inventor, has refused to join in the application for patent. This petition is accompanied by the required petition fee 01/25/2001 HMOLDERI 00000090 09765942

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under 37 CFR 1.17(i), as well as by Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition executed by the inventor Robert M. Fries on his own behalf pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63, and on behalf of Michael K. Fleming, the nonsigning inventor pursuant to 37 CFR 1.64 and MPEP 409.03(a). The petition is also accompanied by a declaration of facts which fully describe the exact facts which are relied on to establish that a diligent effort was made to contact the nonsigning inventor and that the nonsigning inventor has refused to join in the application for patent.

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Dated this 19th day of January, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> MPEP § 409.03(a) states: "An oath or declaration signed by all the available joint inventors with the signature block of the nonsigning inventor(s) left blank may be treated as having been signed by all the available joint inventors on behalf of the nonsigning inventors ..."